

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 430

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate John Rader upon his election as President of the University of Tennessee Student Government Association.

WHEREAS, it is most fitting that we should honor and congratulate those young people who, through their extraordinary efforts and management abilities, as well as noble desires to serve their communities, have become leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such estimable leader is John Rader, who was recently elected as President of the University of Tennessee Student Government Association; and

WHEREAS, a native of Cookeville and a graduate of Cookeville High School in the top five percent of his class, John Rader came to the University of Tennessee three years ago with his characteristic eagerness and optimism; he immediately immersed himself in Freshman Council, Governmental Affairs Committee, Sigma Chi Fraternity, and the Interfraternity Council; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Rader soon discovered a passion for law and a desire to attend Law School after working at Kramer Rayson Law Firm; he was elected into Phi Beta Kappa as a junior and majors in College Scholars with an emphasis on the history of U.S. foreign policy, specifically regarding the United States' relationship with the European Union; and

WHEREAS, John Rader ably completed, and received tremendous experience from, a summer internship as a U.S. Congressional Intern in Washington, D.C.; he continues his love for public policy by working as a Staff Editor for the *Howard H. Baker, Jr., Journal for Public Policy* and was recently selected as a Baker Scholar; and

WHEREAS, highly regarded as a leader by his peers, John Rader is the Governmental Affairs Director for SGA, organizing the annual SGA State of the State trip in which student

government members traveled to Nashville to learn directly from state legislators about issues affecting UT students; and

WHEREAS, three years ago, Mr. Rader created the Dippin' 4 Dollars charity event as Reese Hall Residents Association President, which continues to raise money for the Ronald McDonald House; and

WHEREAS, he has served as President of Beta Sigma Chapter of the Sigma Chi Fraternity and Executive Secretary/Treasurer of the Interfraternity Council, was recognized as Greek Sophomore of the Year, and was selected by the National Sigma Chi Fraternity as the representative to lobby members of Congress at the National Interfraternity Council Conference in Washington, D.C.; and

WHEREAS, the election of John Rader to President of the University of Tennessee's Student Government Association is no surprise, given his incredible track record in public service; and

WHEREAS, leaders like John Rader are the future of the State of Tennessee and of the nation; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we should honor him for his remarkable ability as a leader, his professional skills, and his many superlative achievements; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate John Rader on being elected President of the University of Tennessee's Student Government Association, salute his commitment to his peers, and wish him the best in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.